



**LIGHT**  
FOR THE WORLD

## GOVERNANCE

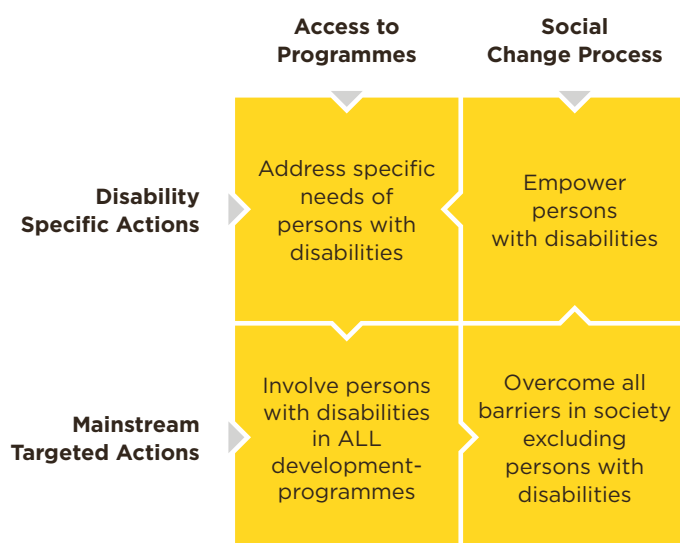
# We work for a brighter day

### What do we do

Our vision is an inclusive society for all where no one is left behind and all people participate equally in the cultural, social, political and economic environment.

Our mission is to contribute to a world in which people with disabilities fully exercise their rights. We break down barriers to enrich society and unlock the potential in all of us. The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities guides us. People with disabilities living in poverty are among the most excluded groups in society. They are at the centre of our work and they drive the change. We started out as specialist organisations

in eye care and rehabilitation and over the past decades we have broadened our sphere of activities. Throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America, Europe and the Pacific region, our teams and partners work on initiatives in eye health and blindness prevention, quality inclusive education, livelihood and economic empowerment, community-based rehabilitation as a multi-sectoral strategy, Disability inclusion focused on changing systems and organisations and disability rights. We also team up with development organisations to help them become inclusive, and support disability organisations to ensure their messages are heard.



### How do we work

Light for the World encourages new forms of international cooperation. We are helping policymakers and activists to develop systems and policies promoting the values of inclusion, both nationally and internationally. We are also part of powerful international coalitions, such as the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB) and the International Disability and Development Consortium (IDDC), and have partnered with renowned foundations and institutional donors. Our programmatic approach is based on our Theory of Change, supporting local partners to implement a combination of disability-specific actions, targeted actions in the mainstream, access to programmes and social change processes.

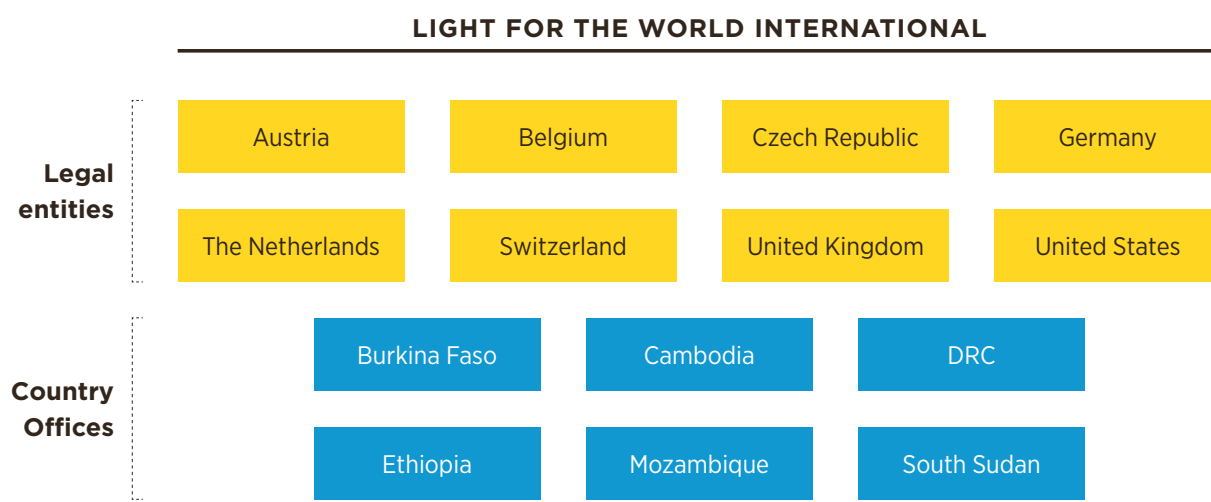
## Who we are

Light for the World aims to realise an inclusive society.

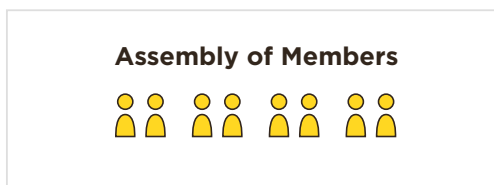
The legal entities in Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany, the Netherlands, Switzerland, United Kingdom and the United

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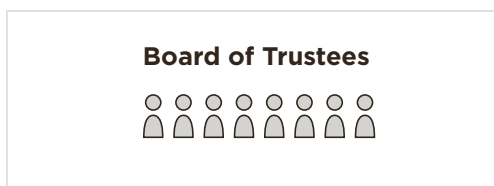
The governing bodies of Light for the World International are the Assembly of Members and the Board of Trustees.



The Assembly of Members meets once a year and decides on vision, mission and appoints the Board of Trustees.



The Board of Trustees decides on strategy, appoints the CEO and approves the annual budget and annual work plan.



The International Team implements the strategy, collaborates with local, national and international partners and works to bring about change towards an inclusive society.

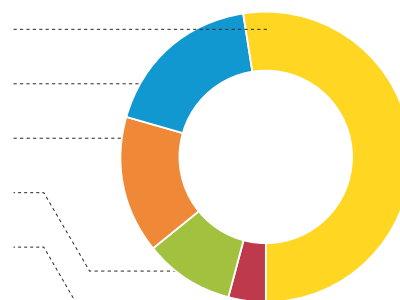


## FINANCIAL RESULTS

# Every donation counts

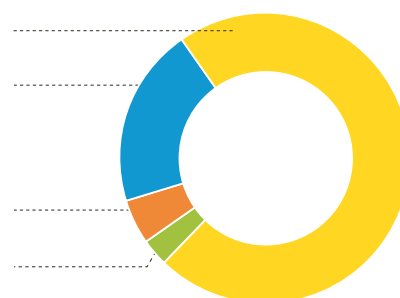
### SOURCES OF INCOME 2017

	in Euro	%
Donations in Cash and Sponsoring	14,018,800	52%
Public, Government Funding	4,821,496	18%
Bequests	4,089,346	15%
Foundations, Trusts	2,829,830	10%
Donations in kind	1,000,516	4%
other income	176,340	<1%
Project Support Alliance Partners	138,251	<1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,074,579</b>	

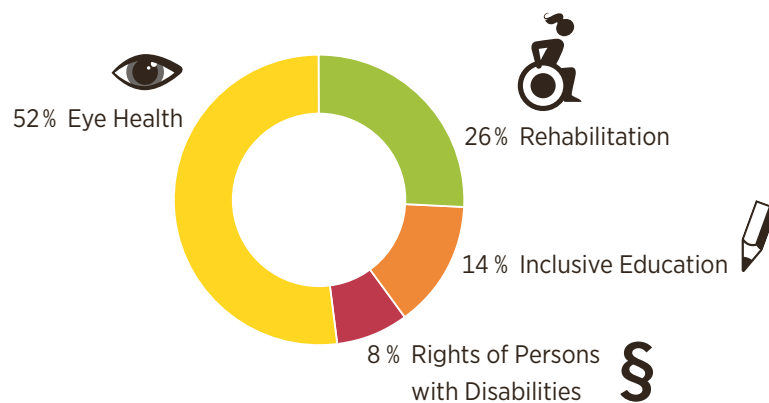


### AREAS OF EXPENSES 2017

	in Euro	%
Programme Work incl. Advocacy	19,460,415	72%
Information on Programme Work, Public Relations and Donor Administration	5,450,536	20%
Administration and Infrastructure	1,447,788	5%
Allocation to Reserves	715,840	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,074,579</b>	



### PROGRAMME EXPENSES



### TRANSPARENCY & ANTI-CORRUPTION

Those are the consolidated financial results of the legal entity Light for the World and its members. For further information on the financial figures of the different legal entities please download the national reports at [www.light-for-the-world.org](http://www.light-for-the-world.org)

High quality and transparency throughout all of our work is important to us, because we feel passionate about achieving the maximum possible impact from every single donation we receive. This has been enhanced by the transparency and Anti-Corruption Policy adopted by Light for the World in 2014. We are producing a biennial anti-corruption report, which is available on request.

### RELIABILITY

The member organisations of Light for the World have their accounts audited by independent external auditors. The 2017 accounts were audited by IBD Wirtschaftsprüfung GmbH (Austria), BVBA Clybouw Bedrijfsrevisoren (Belgium), Deloitte CZ (Czech Republic), by Honold Treuhand AG (Switzerland), WITH accountants (The Netherlands), Independent Examiners LTD (UK) and respective reviewed by Campbell Hörmann PartG (Germany). Light for the World has been granted quality seals in several countries.

**Donations to Light for the World are tax deductible in Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany, the Netherlands, Switzerland and the USA.**

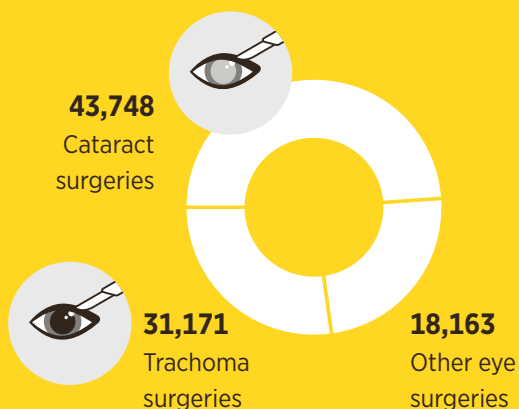
# 1,319,784

people reached with crucial support  
including eye health,  
rehabilitation and education.

On top of this, we provided **12,999,134** doses of medication against  
trachoma, river blindness and lymphatic filariasis.

## 1,000,344

EYE CARE SERVICES



## 33,904

CHILDREN WITH  
DISABILITIES  
REACHED



22,006 in Asia/Pacific

11,083 in Africa

815 in Latin America

## 9,062

children with disabilities received  
**SCHOOL EDUCATION.**